

JUDICIAL CONFERENCE OF INDIANA SPECIAL COURTS COMMITTEE

General Summary

A meeting of the Special Courts Committee was scheduled for Friday October 19, 2001 to work on the City/Town Court Manual. This meeting was cancelled.

A meeting of the Special Courts Committee was held in Room 1068, a conference room generally adjacent to the offices of the Indiana Judicial Center on Friday, November 2, 2001. This meeting was called as a working meeting on the City and Town Court Manual.

Update on the City and Town Courts Manual

Regarding the City and Town Court Manual, the Committee heard Chair Mrzlack's report concerning his attendance at the annual City and Town Court Judges meeting, which was held on October 11 and 12, 2001. After hearing Judge Mrzlack's report, the Committee voted by acclamation: (1) to keep the existing tabs and format of the present Manual, and (2) to authorize staff attorney Hamill to convert his June 2001 outline draft into this adopted format.

SR 16 Form - Informal Summary of Present Status

The members present [see below] were presented with the Bureau of Motor Vehicles 1st proposal for a new, revised SR 16 (abstract of judgment form) for discussion, commentary, and revision. An extensive discussion occurred. Chair Mrzlack was appointed by acclamation as a Subcommittee (of one) to prepare and to submit proposed revisions to the Bureau of Motor Vehicles. Staff attorney Hamill and Chair took notes regarding suggested revisions. These notes were formalized in a letter to the Bureau of Motor Vehicles, dated November 7, 2001. [See document marked as "No. 1".] Chair Mrzlack met personally with representatives of the Bureau of Motor Vehicles on November 16, 2001. Chair Mrzlack made a report to the Board of Directors of the Indiana Judicial Conference regarding progress on the revision process at the Board of Director's meeting on December 6, 2001. Work on revisions to the SR 16 forms continues. The present plan is to have a final vote on the 2nd revised SR 16 form at the next meeting of the Committee. In the event of approval, the form will be submitted to the Board of Directors of the Indiana Judicial Conference at the March, 2002 meeting for possible adoption and ratification.

Minutes - November 2, 2001

1. Committee Members, guests, and staff present.
 - a. The following Members of the Committee were present:

Hon. Robert B. Mrzlack, Chair; Hon. Richard D. Culver; Hon. Frank W. Guthrie; Hon. H. Terrill Harvey; Hon. R. Jerome Kearns; and Hon. Joel D. Roberts.
 - b. The following member of the staff of the Indiana Judicial Center was present: Thomas R. Hamill, Staff Attorney, Research Division.

- c. The following quests of the Committee were present: John Newman, Department of State Court Administration, and Andrew Straw, Department of State Court Administration.

2. Business.

- a. Minutes of the Committee's previous meeting, held on September 12, 2001 were adopted and approved by acclamation.
- b. Copies of the documents listed, described and referenced below were distributed at the meeting:
 - (1) copy of Court of Appeals published decision in case of Hamill v. City of Carmel - - {Document marked as "No. 2"};
 - (2) Hard copy of J. Culver's section of the City and Town Court Manual relating to misdemeanors - - {Document marked as "No. 3"};
 - (3) Revised Title 14 infraction table including references to current IAC regulations [but not including boats and water ski subsections] - - {Document marked as "No. 4"}

3. Next meeting.

The next formal meeting of the Committee is now scheduled on Friday, February 1, 2002 at a conference room generally adjacent to the offices of the Indiana Judicial Center in Indianapolis, Indiana, at 11:00 o'clock A. M., local time then prevailing. Agenda includes a final vote on SR 16 revisions. Lunch will be provided.

4. Adjournment.

Action: With no further business coming before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned by acclamation at approximately 3:00 P. M., prevailing local time.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas R. Hamill
Staff Attorney